

House	COMMUNICATION INFORMATION CENTER <i>DAILY BRIEFING</i> Wednesday, August 4, 1999 – 7:27 AM	<u>Message of the Day</u>	100,000,000,000
Republican		Protecting taxpayers by providing relief for all working Americans.	- amount, in dollars, of tax relief married couples receive over the next decade in the Financial Freedom Act.
Conference			

Events	TODAY – 8/4	Tomorrow – 8/5	Coming up ...	Yesterday's Events	Lead Stories
House GOP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary; * Watts news conference on global peace; * Fowler subcommittee on FEMA; * DeLay to speak at RNHA; * Bilirakis subcommittee on Medicare+Choice; * Canady markup of unborn victims of violence; * Gilman hearing on Balkans; * Smith of N.J. markup of international sexual trafficking. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: VA-HUD, tax relief (tent.); * Foley, others news conference on insurance for catastrophes; * Sensenbrenner markup of high-tech research bill; * Goodlatte subcommittee on food stamps; * Cubin subcommittee on Florida coast leasing; * Hansen markup of parks, wildlife; * Ewing subcommittee on regulatory relief for U.S. futures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: campaign finance rule (tent.); * 8/6 Mica hearing on Columbia drug policy enforcement; * 8/6 Saxton hearing on July employment; * 8/7 Armey to Omaha to attend Midwestern Leadership Conference; * 8/10 Pombo field hearing on American wine; * 8/12 Castle field hearing on education innovation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: workplace passed (217-209), Viet Nam failed (130-297), twenty-first passed (325-99), foreign operations passed (385-35); * Hastert, Watts "HI-5" health information campaign; * Hastert on MSNBC's "Equal Time" on tax relief, politics; * Combest markup of agriculture; * Castle subcommittee on drug-free schools with McCaffrey; * Dreier hearing on Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary. 	<p>ABC World News (Tues.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mortgage rates top 8 percent 2. Fewer people using ATMs 3. Sudden drop in online trading <p>NBC Nightly News (Tues.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clinton offers heat aid to poor 2. Mid-sized farms declined in '90s 3. Mother, daughter saved after floating in ocean <p>CBS Evening News (Tues.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Democrats propose bailout as heat wave persists 2. Heat wave toll at 236 3. Government targeting problem of travel fraud <p>Fox Special Report (Tues.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Politicians rushing to help farmers 2. House, Senate work out differences on taxes 3. In Chicago, Clinton speech claims welfare reform victory <p>Washington Post (Wed.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GOP agrees on scope of tax cuts 2. NATO losing Kosovo battle 3. Beijing turns Internet on enemies <p>Washington Times (Wed.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GOP lawmakers agree on tax relief 2. Book details Clintons' private lives 3. Judge defends action in Hubbell, Trie cases <p>New York Times (Wed.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GOP leaders reach tax bill compromise 2. Zapruder heirs get \$16 million 3. Pediatricians suggest limits on TV viewing by children <p>USA TODAY (Wed.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Women stress more than men 2. Exec pleads guilty in IOC 3. Home buyers pinched as mortgage rates hit 8%
Senate GOP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: dairy compact, Agriculture; * Lugar hearing on farm crisis; * McCain, Domenici hearings on elderly fraud; * Helms hearing on Taiwan security; * Grassley to attend nursing home reception; * Shelby hearing on intelligence. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: Interior (tent.); * Lugar hearing on farm income crisis (tent.); * Bond news conference on GOP accomplishments, priorities; * Hatch markup of penalties to methamphetamine laboratories; * Allard subcommittee on restructuring multifamily housing assistance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: tax relief; * 8/6 To home states for August work period; * 9/9 Warner hearing on Shelton nomination. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * On floor: military construction passed (voice), State passed (voice); * Lott, Gorton, Gregg news conference on teacher empowerment; * Lott, Abraham, Frist, Bennett news conference on high tech, GOP agenda; * Lugar hearings on farm crisis with Glickman. 	
Govs	* Almond signing of college tuition grants to widows of police officers.	* Thompson to continue Harley Ride '99.	* 8/7 RGA annual meeting in St. Louis on education.	* Thompson to Chicago, addressed welfare-to-work conference.	
President	* To make an economic statement in the Rose Garden.	* To attend Democrat unity event, call for passage of priorities.	* 8/6-8 To Little Rock to attend Gore 2000 fundraisers.	* Announced second round of drought relief.	
1st Lady	* To Jamestown, N.Y., to listen; * To Dunkirk, N.Y., for fundraiser.	* In Buffalo, N.Y., for listening tour, youth violence events.	* 8/6 In Rochester, N.Y., for listening tour, Slaughter fundraiser.	* Release of article about president's "sins of weakness."	
VP Gore	* To chair U.S.-Ukraine Binational Commission meeting with President Kuchma (tent.).	* To join Tipper in Chicago, Milwaukee, for Team Tipper events, fundraisers (tent.).	* 8/7-8 To Little Rock for Gore 2000 fundraisers with president; * 8/8 In N.H. for fundraiser.	* Joined Daschle, Gephardt news conference on farms; * Addressed Baptist convention.	
Cabinet	* Herman to Chicago to speak at a welfare-to-work conference.	* Glickman to address Corn Growers Association.	* 8/6 Babbitt to explore Steens Mountain, Ore., visit with children.	* Glickman testified before Lugar hearing, asked for farm funding.	
Dems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Daschle, Wellstone, Dorgan news conference on farms; * Rangel, Bonior, others news conference on school construction; * Wyden on "Washington Journal" on prescription drugs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Democrat unity event on the Hill, call for passage of priorities with Clinton; * Kucinich to join Shays news conference on anti-environmental riders on spending bills. 	* 8/7 Norton to attend respect diversity day rally in D.C.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Daschle, Gephardt news conference on agriculture with Gore; * Gephardt, others news conference on patients' bill of rights; * McCarthy, Lowey, DeLauro news conference on gun control. 	

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